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Cliff Hartman Missing

Dr. and Mrs. C. C. Hartman received word Thursday last that their son, Fit-Sergeant Clifford Lawrence Hartman, was missing after air operations, November 23rd.

Cliff enlisted a few days after his eighteenth birthday in November 1941, and received his training at Edmonton, Calgary, Regina, Trenton, Lethbridge. He graduated from the Aeromedical Services School at Regina in January, 1943, as a Sgt. Bomber-Navigator. He went overseas at the end of January. In England he had further training and was chosen to take a course in "path-finder" work which he had just recently completed.

—Olds Gazette

Obituary

Mrs. LOVINA SPREEMAN

Lovina, beloved wife of Allan Spreaman, passed peacefully away at her home at Olds, on November 30, in her 62nd year, after a lingering illness.

She was born at Port Elgin, Ontario, and was united in marriage to Alfred Stevenson, of Glamis, Ont., to whom union was born a daughter, Pearl Annetta, shortly after which Mr. Stevenson passed away.

Later Mrs. Stevenson and her daughter came to Didsbury with her brother, Mr. Ezra Thede, where she met and married Mr. Allan Spreaman. They made their home at Chinook, Alberta, for 27 years, then coming back to farm east of Olds.

Besides her husband, she leaves to mourn her passing, one daughter, Pearl; two sons, Elmer Allan at home, and P/O Walter Roy, with the R.C.A.F. overseas, and by one brother, Ezra Thede; two sisters, Mrs. Benet of Elbow, N.L., and Mrs. Hutchins, of Cleveland, Ohio.

Funeral services were conducted in the M.B.C. Church at Didsbury, on Friday, December 3rd, by Rev. S. Kaechele and Rev. Bell of Bowden, with Rev. Earl Archer and Mr. Falk assisting.

Dr. Seaman, an old friend of the family as well as their doctor, sang the solo.

Interment was in the family plot of Didsbury cemetery. Pall-bearers were H. M. Reiter, Rod McDonald, J. C. Purple, Floyd Strong, Richard Stang and Edward Weber.

Herb Fisher was in charge of funeral arrangements.



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Health Unit Notes

We are gratified over the large turn out at our Saturday morning clinics. Each Saturday, more people are using the facilities of their Health Unit.

However, it would be of great help to us if more people would come around 9:00 a.m. From 11:00 to 12:00 we are very crowded, and as a result, cannot give as much time to your individual problems.

Please help us by coming early and avoid that last minute rush.

Rebecca Activities

On Wednesday, December 1st, a meeting of the Rebeccas was held at the home of Mrs. Jim Jackson, with 10 members present.

The ladies busied themselves by making stump bandages, and the usual Red Cross sewing was distributed.

The group voted to send the sum of \$5.00 to the "Milk for Britain" fund, from our present funds.

The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Ada Eggington, Wednesday, December 15.

Rugby Notes

The closing meeting of the W.I. was held at the home of Mrs. R. McNaughton, with an attendance of 11. After the opening exercises, business was taken up.

The financial report showed a balance on the right side of the ledger, leaving a clear sheet for 1944.

A donation is being sent to the Wood's Home, and also to the Queen's Fund. Another parcel is being dispatched to the Merchant Marine.

This branch is taking up one of the short courses offered by the Department of Agriculture.

Results of ballots for new officers were ...

President — Mrs. Parker Vice-President — Mrs. Parker

New directors and convenors of committees were also appointed.

A little Christmas program followed the business. A musical contest, recitation, and a reading from Dickens' Christmas Carol.

The National Anthem brought a very pleasant afternoon to a close and lunch followed.

The January meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. H. Hoegsved.

Gordon Marsh R.C.N.V.R. is holidaying in town and district.



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"Busy Bees" Whist Drive

The Whist Drive on Friday evening, put on by the "Busy Bees", was a decided success. It was in aid of the "Milk for Britain" fund, and cigarettes to the local boys overseas. It was a grand night; cool, but not too cold, and a good crowd of people came to enjoy the game.

Eight tables were in play, and a very hilarious time was had by everyone over the "Court" whilst. The big test was when playing "Contraction"; no talking was allowed or three tricks were confiscated.

At the conclusion of the game, lunch was served by the "Bees", and then the draw made for the cushion. Mr. Hadleigh Fowler was the lucky winner. Winners at whist were: Ladies, Mrs. C. Waldorf, and Gents, Mr. E. Dupont.

The total collected for Whist and the raffle amounted to \$22.95, and we would like to take this opportunity of thanking everyone who helped in any way to make the evening such a success, and especially to Mrs. Gourdinne who loaned us her home for the evening. We are indeed grateful and appreciate very much all the extra work it must have made. We, the "Busy Bees", thank you all.

A whist drive will be held on Wednesday evening, December 15, at Mrs. W. Jahneke's home, at 8:30, in aid of "Aid to Russia".

Births

On November 29, to Mr. and Mrs. Walter Selker, Carstairs, a daughter.

On November 30, to Mr. and Mrs. J. Schellenburg, a son.

On December 6, to Mr. and Mrs. H. Bartell, a daughter.

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Didsbury Jottings

By A.C.H.

For more than a year now Squadron 197 Didsbury Air Cadets have basked in admiration and glory. And who could find a smarter or more efficient group? But we are afraid that from now on, they will have to be content with second place. We hear that a Girls Cadet Squadron is to be formed, with Miss Eileen Derby as Commanding Officer. The 14th Army Tanks think that the three Squadrons should swap C.O.'s now and again, like the ministers occupy each other's pulpits. It would make for such a friendly feeling among the different units, they say.

The Junior Ladies Aid made over thirty dollars from their St. Andrews concert. Twenty four dollars was taken in at the door, and the rest was from tickets sold by the C.G.L.T. Wherever you find something going big, you usually find the C.G.L.T. have given a hand in it.

The Junior Ladies Aid wishes to thank everybody who helped to make their concert such a success.

It was with great sorrow that we read in Saturday's Calgary Herald, that Bitsy Grant is reported missing.

We heard that Dorothy Buhr is to have an audition with Mart Kenny's orchestra when they come West next spring. Art Hallman, of Mart Kenny's orchestra, heard Dorothy sing, when she happened to be in Calgary about a week ago. He said that if she trains up winter, she can come for an audition next spring. Of course, you can guess who the good fairy is behind all this — Miss Collins. She knows the Mart Kenny boys, and arranged for them to hear Dorothy. Miss Collins says Dorothy deserves her good fortune, for she has been a willing worker in all choir work. She has turned up faithfully at all practices, whether featured in a solo spot or being just one of the crowd. And mostly she has been in the background, just one of the chorus.

Well, it all sounds very exciting and we wish Dorothy the very best of luck. It just shows we never know what good luck is waiting for any of us.

Mrs. R. A. Simmerling of Calgary, is visiting with her father, Mr. E. Kercher.

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Christmas Cheer for Overseas Forces

As is the established custom, Canadian Red Cross is supplying Christmas gifts and cheer for all Services overseas. Christmas decorations for a 750-bed Canadian military hospital in Sicily, and a 1200-bed hospital in North Africa will be new items on the list this year.

It is hard to believe that the Red Cross, we wouldn't be alive now", he declared.

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Films For Education

THERE ARE FEW COMMUNITIES in Canada which are without motion picture theatres, and this form of entertainment is an accepted part of the life of these times. Within the memory of most of us, the production of moving pictures showed great development, and there is a vast difference between the early silent films and the finished productions which we see today. While the screen is considered to be primarily a medium of entertainment, there has been, in recent years, a growing realization of its value in education, and also for the spreading of propaganda. Many schools in Canada use motion pictures in their classes, and there are now fine libraries of educational films available for this purpose at various centres in the Dominion.

Films Are Used For Propaganda

turies in attempts to terrify countries into submission in the early days of the war, by circulating films showing Nazi bombing and invasion tactics. Great Britain, the United States and Russia have used moving pictures to acquaint their people with the extent of their war efforts, and also for educating them in regard to the needs of their countries in wartime. In addition, motion picture photographers have been present on many of the battle fronts and they have made some interesting and remarkable films, some of which are included in the newreals here. The National Film Board in Canada has expanded greatly in recent years and it has produced a number of fine motion pictures dealing with many aspects of life in Canada at this time.

Germans Spread Ideas In Europe

It has been suggested that films might prove to be a powerful factor in countering the effect of Nazi propaganda on the minds of the people in Occupied Europe. For many months now these people have been bombarded with German ideology and while it is known that their methods have been in no measure as effective as was intended, it will in many instances have left a distorted outlook which will have to be corrected. Mr. Charles Francis Coe, an American motion picture company executive, who visited Canada recently, expressed the opinion that films might be used successfully in this connection. He pointed out that motion pictures created for entertainment, but showing "that there is a spot where decency prevails, where patriotism is not a gesture, and where the valuable things of life flow from the man himself as an entity unto himself, not from a State welded by the grimy, bloodied hands of a few dictators," might prove of great value in dealing with this problem.

For Benefit Of Goebbel's

As To Who Was "Sold Down" At The Moscow Conference

There seems to be doubt in the German mind about the quality and direction of the salesmanship involved in the recent Moscow conference and four power agreement among Russia, Britain, China and the United States. The doubt is apparent in Nazi propaganda.

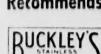
For example, Berlin broadcasts beamed at Britain and the United States asserted that the Moscow agreement constituted an Anglo-American sell-out to Stalin. And Berlin broadcasts beamed at Russia called it a sell-out on the part of Stalin and Molotov to Britain and the United States.

The question of who sold out to whom seems to be bothering Joe Goebbels and his boys. For their benefit it might be suggested that the only selling incidental to the Moscow agreement was not "out" but "down" and had to do with Hitler and Company and any river they care to name—Buffalo Courier-Express.

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Second Doctor: "I say—hard luck!"

First Doctor: "Yes, I'll miss her."

Wife: "Goodness, George, this is not our baby. This is the wrong carriage."

Husband: "Quiet. This carriage has rubber tires."

A young man ordered two dozen roses to be sent to his fiancee, and we're to card the card that was to go with them: "A rose for each year of our precious life."

"Throw in an extra dozen," said the florist, "he's a good customer."

The assistant did as he was told.

So far the marriage hasn't taken place.

Rural Magistrate—"I'll have to see ya a dollar, Jeff."

Jeff—"I'll have to carry it off ye, Judge."

Magistrate — Great snakes! It was only to get the dollar that I was finin' ye. Git out! Ye ain't guilty, anyway."

Teacher was giving a lesson on the weather idiosyncrasies of March. "What is it?" she asked, "that comes like a lion and goes out like a lamb?"

And little Julia in the back row replied: "Father."

"I wish," she said in exasperation, "that some brainless idiot had proposed to you before we were married."

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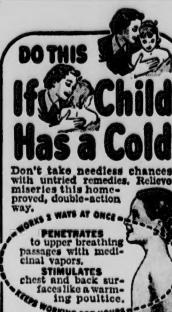
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(By J. G.)



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Just 19 years old, during his second ops flight, Flt. Sgt. Ken Puhman of the Royal Canadian Navy, was shot down over the English Channel. He was hit by a shell from the Thunderbird squadron ship.

As they approached the target, his bomb aimer, Terry Prudhoe, of Kildersley, Sask., also got in some

burning bursts at another enemy fighter.

Awards of the D.F.C. have been made to the Westerners, FO, W.G. Doolittle of Whitewood, Man., and Lt. H. J. Ashton of Virden, Man. At the same time a similar award went to Pte. H. T. Moore, Mississ of Thornhill, Ont., whose plane was shot down. Typical fight against odds little known motives painted on its starboard door. Ashton's award includes the citation that once he attacked an objective so low his plane was struck by flying debris.

Among the instructors at the University of Western Ontario, in London, the Empire Central Flying School, where seasoned flyers are given a post graduate polish, are SL R. C. Stovel of Winnipeg, and SL R. Newson of Saskatoon, Sask.

"Ashore and afloat the Navy League cares for the sailors," is the slogan adopted for Navy Week which will be held from Nov. 10 to Dec. 27. Much attention will be focused throughout the nation on the men of our gallant Navy and Merchant Navy and the work of the Navy League Auxiliary. Organized in 1917, it operates 222 hostels, clubs and entertainment centres.

Petty Officer Art Carty, of Winnipeg, has lots of exciting stories to tell now that he's back posted in port, because his eyes aren't quite up to standard. His closest call: "While docked at a port we were attacked by 100 German bombers. I never saw so scared in my life. They blew the stern off a freighter not 30 yards from us. We were surrounded with bombs, rivets, and rocks from the jetison. They straddled us with bombs, but we weren't touched."

Leading Wren Joan Cole of Calmar, Alta., has been working on the banks of the Welland Canal, she does liaison work for the navy, boating, Armed naval, auxiliary, coast guard vessels, passing the time on the canal in the winter, the man-made waterways in the world. She interviews captains, getting information for the navy authorities.

Europe's most active volcanoes, Etna, Stromboli and Vesuvius, lie in a straight line.

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Have Reached Berlin

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We may do all these things. But these are only stepping stones to the final goal. It is in Berlin itself that we intend to smash the German war machine and purge the German race. Three years ago we stood alone, stripped by Goliath of all but the sling and the smooth, round stone. But we were enabled to endure.

We were inspired to feats deemed impossible. The sling and the stone were once again enough. Now we attack, and the beast—apparently very strong, formidable and ferocious, yet possibly nearer the point of cracking than we think—is caged.

—London Sunday Express.

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LONDON.—Although the war is old there are still thousands of men who have yet to smell the pungent scent of battle powder. Among them are hundreds of Canadian airmen now training in the Dominion or else waiting on airfields in Britain for their first operational sorties over enemy territory.

The long training of the latter builds their excitement up to a high pitch and the keenest imagination cannot mirror the feelings of a man to starboard, a host of tiny black puffs. It was flak! I had to concentrate on what was happening. It didn't seem real after that. But I knew it would come again nearer. The gunners seemed to be firing at another box of bombers. The other chaps, all old hands as I've indicated before, made no mention of it and we all settled down for the journey home. A let down developed after that and I found myself once more a little scared of what I had been through, although I knew I didn't dare say anything because the consensus would be that our trip was but 'a piece of cake'.

In short time our aerodrome appeared in the distance, and soon we rolled down the runway to the greeting of dozens of upturned thumbs from the ground staff out waiting to greet us and see us safely in. Then the armourer's question as we tumbled out of the Mitchell, 'Bombs all gone, sir?' told me that my first operation over enemy territory was over."

Glider Parts

Are Now Being Made In Britain Out Of Paper

Glider parts, described as incredibly strong and weather proof, are now being made of paper. According to reports from England, the parts are produced by nimble-fingered girls who previously made such paper mache products as imitation food for the British film industry.

The process is comparatively simple. Alternate layers of varicoloured paper are pasted together in moulds, trimmed and then sprayed with a soluble solution. Coloured paper is alternated so that operators can determine at a glance if each coating is complete and in place.

Paper is one of the top salvaging items in Canada today as its use in making war materials is becoming increasingly important.

In many districts, excluding the area between Edmonton and Fort William where unfortunately facilities are not near enough to make the processing of waste paper feasible, paper salvage is at the top of the list,

Helped Burmese

R.A.F. Planes Have Done Much For People During Year

R.A.F. planes from India have rendered valuable service in Burma during the year during which they flew supplies into Rangoon, evacuated women and children, and evacuated food and clothing to refugees struggling through the hills in North Assam. One plane, with an Empire and Commonwealth crew, landed on an 800-yard jungle clearing and took away seventeen sick and wounded soldiers to India for treatment.

Simple Jumper



Stitch up this fabric-saving charmer in jiffy quick time. Pattern 4518, a cute, comfy jumper frock with sleeves, trimmings and a sprightly bow at the mother. The blouse with the drawplaid neck is easy to make, too. Try plaid gingham . . . batiste for the lining.

Pattern 4518 comes in children's sizes 2, 4, 6, 8 and 10. Size 6, jumper, takes 1 yard 54-inch blouse, 3/4 yard 35-inch plaid, two cents (20c) in coins (stamps cannot be accepted) for this pattern. Write plainly size, name and address and send money and send to: Mrs. Anna Adams, Pattern Dept., Winnipeg Newspaper Union, 175 McDermot Ave., E., Winnipeg, Man. "Because of the slowness of mail delivery of our patterns may take a few days longer than usual."

They Softened Up Italy



Canadian airmen who helped pave the way for the Allied invasion of Italy. They're the crew of a Wellington bomber of an R.C.A.F. squadron based in North Africa, and have just completed a tour of operational duty, the latter part of which saw them operating against vital Italian targets. They're headed for well-earned leave now, which accounts for those broad smiles. From right to left they are: Flight Sergeant Bernard Tremblay, rear gunner, of Montreal; Flying Officer Fred Atkinson, bomb aimer, Toronto; Flight Sergeant Art Jackson, pilot, Vancouver; Flight Sergeant Joe Ross, wireless operator, River Bend, Que., and Pilot Officer Don Bell, navigator, Toronto.

Flying Against The Enemy Our Gallant Airmen Very Often See The Lighter Side Of Life

(By Ralph Michaelis in The B.B.C. Bulletin)

FLYING against the enemy has its humours; and there are plenty of laughs to be heard over enemy territory. Going around the various R.A.F. airfields in the course of my work as an air correspondent, I am constantly hearing about the deeds of some fantastic joker. For example, a Sunderland flying boat sighted a German battleship escorted by a couple of destroyers off the coast of Norway.

The battleship challenged the Sunderland with the code message "I.K." The Sunderland crew had not the faintest idea what the message meant—so the captain told them to reply—"I.K." But they did not satisfy the Germans. They challenged a second time with "I.K."—and for the second time—the Sunderland replied—"I.K." Back came the methodical Germans for a third time with the challenge "I.K."

This time the Sunderland captain could not resist making the obvious reply.

"Oh, tell them nuts," he said. And so the radio operator signalled back, "Nuts".

There was a short pause while the Germans got out their secret ciphers and started to decode this cryptic message.

"It took them exactly thirty seconds to find out the meaning of 'nuts,'" the Captain told me, "then they let us have 'everything'."

The crew of this particular Sunderland were a famous bunch of humorists.

One afternoon they were flying low over a Norwegian fjord when they spotted a couple of very fat German officers idling in a row boat.

"Let's scare the louts out of those two birds," said the Captain, and he dived towards the row boat.

As soon as the Germans spotted the Sunderland they grabbed their cars and started to drive up the fjord at a tremendous pace. The boat had gone far when one of them missed the water altogether with his car and went head over heels backwards into the lap of his brother officer.

The sight of these two fat Germans trying to race the airplane up the fjord struck the gunners as so funny that they had difficulty in sighting their guns.

One of the radio operators in a night bomber group is a great practical joker. One of his jokes is to tune into a German receiving station and tell them what he thinks about them. In fact his parades of Hitler speeches are known from Ham-

ton to the Ruhr, to the vast entertainment of his own crew, and the annoyance of the helpless enemy.

One night the bomber in which this

radio operator was flying was caught in a cone of searchlights. Anti-aircraft shells were bursting all round, and the gunners were throwing the aircraft about in all directions in an attempt to get away from the searchlights. But he was unshaken. More searchlights fastened on the airplane, so that the crew had to shade their eyes from the blinding glare.

The radio operator turned the knobs on his radio set and tuned in to the German station down below. And all at once the Germans listening in their control room heard the following announcement:

"Achtung! Achtung! Germany calling! Germany calling! Here is Goering! Put out those damn lights!"

Occasionally the enemy plays a radio joke on us.

Bombers flying back to England in the dark usually contact their home radio station, when they are over the North Sea, and ask for a "fix" or a compass bearing on which to fly home.

One night a new and rather agitated navigator was unable to interpret the fix that had been sent to him, and he kept asking for it to be repeated.

And for some time he monopolized the frequency so that nobody else could get a word in. After a while a German station came through in English. "For heaven's sake get him home," they said. "he's mucking up our frequency."

The captain of a German mine-layer was pulled out of the North Sea the other day by the boys on one of our sea air rescue service launches (these are high speed motorboats used for picking up airmen—our own or the enemy's—who have crashed or baled out into the sea), and this German captain was cursing the "incompetent English" at the top of his voice.

The boys on the launch could not understand at first what was biting him. So he told his sad story, here it is:

Every day for months past the German skipper had taken his trawler to a certain stretch of water, and there he had methodically sown his mines. And every night following his expeditions the British minesweepers had gone out and swept his mines up again. But one night the British did not go out for some reason. The methodical German, proceeding as usual with his unlawful occasions, on the following day ran into one of his own mines and blew himself up.

No One Is Sure

If Or When Morale Of German People Will Crack

The Reich's situation is such that she can stand on the defensive for a long time if the morale of her people does not crack. We have no means of knowing whether it is likely to crack soon, says the Montreal Star. Lord Halifax who undoubtedly possesses more information than his questioners refused to hazard a guess. He is confident that we are winning, but he is equally certain that we must not relax our efforts until Germany is defeated, completely and utterly.

HAVE HIGHER PROTEIN

Soybeans produced in Manitoba and Alberta under somewhat drier conditions appear to have a tendency for slightly higher protein and lower oil content than soybeans produced in other provinces where the moisture supply is normally more abundant.

Nelson had only 27 ships at Trafalgar in 1805.

The World of Wheat

by H. G. L. Strange

BAD MIXTURES IN CROPS

The analysis of many thousands of farmers' wheat crops conducted this last summer by the "Crop Testing Plan", shows some interesting results. 41% of the fields are pure enough to make good true-to-variety seed, 24% are classified as fair only, which means they are beginning to slip a little, but 35% of the old tested wheat shown to contain bad mixtures. Many of those mixtures are of poor milling and baking value, and do not yield as well as the newer varieties.

Where mixtures consist of a fast-susceptible variety, such as Marquis, Red Bob's and so forth, it means that in the rust area and in a rust year part of the crop would be rusted. Some of the mixtures were of late varieties in an early crop such as Red Bob's. This means that such crops do not mature evenly, and when the Red Bob's is cut there would be immature kernels of this late variety that would reduce the grade.

Farmers receive the best returns for their efforts by growing one variety in as pure a state as possible. The only way to achieve this is for a farmer to use now and again a few bushels of good registered seed sown on clean summer-fallow and of the variety he decides to use.

ITEMS OF INTEREST IN THE WORLD OF FOODSTUFFS

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The Balkan countries are planning further expansion of wheat acreage, advices from Europe indicate. Australia's 1944 wheat acreage goal has been set at 8,500,000 acres, an increase of 500,000 acres above the area seeded this year. Rumania's wheat crop has been estimated at 3,600,000 tons, as compared with normal annual requirements of about 2,765,000 tons.

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For further particulars apply to H. E. Crowle, Barrister, etc., 250 Lancaster Building, Calgary.

Dated at the city of Calgary in the province of Alberta, this 27th day of September, 1943.

J. H. CHARMAN,
Acting Clerk of the Court

Approved
W. A. MacDonald
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"Words of Winston Churchill" to Appear In Booklet Form

The many followers of the radio feature entitled "The Words of Winston Churchill", will be pleased to learn that the complete text of the entire series of fifteen broadcasts will be printed in booklet form and made available to the public free of charge at the conclusion of the series. The series, heard each Sunday evening, over CFAC, Calgary, at 7:00 p.m., and over CJCA, Edmonton, at 9:30 p.m., is running into its second month and ends January 9th.

It is expected that the booklet will contain approximately fifty pages of a thirty-three-thousand-word progressive summary of the famous words and phrases uttered by the most amazing man of our time, Winston Churchill. Richard J. Needham, well-known columnist and author of the radio test, has written the series in very interesting and educational form, and the booklet will no doubt prove a valuable source of reference and information.

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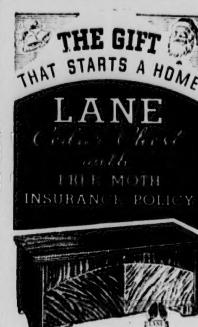
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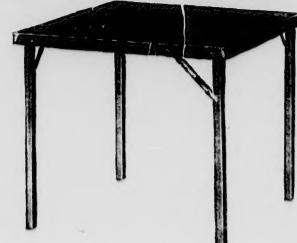
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Fighting Canada's Battles In Northern Manitoba And Saskatchewan Bushlands

(By J. P. De Wet, Secretary, Manitoba Chamber of Mines)

(An interesting continued story of the great Flin Flon Mine)

IN this greatest of all the wars in man's history, in which the application and the products of science are a vital factor, the adequate and continuous supply of metals is essential to the winning of battles.

Take the matter of copper as an example of a familiar and lowly metal whose usefulness to mankind first becomes known to us in early childhood in the form of pennies to buy cent suckers at the store. Today, copper is an indispensable element to the soldier, the sailor and the airman in a variety of capacities ranging from the brass cartridge case of the rifleman to the wire that carries the electric current from the generator to the motors of trucks, tanks and aircraft. A bomber airplane uses copper wire by the mile, and tons of it go into a battleship. The important detection device called radar, which helped Britain to beat off Hitler's air attacks and now aids the fighting men on land, sea and in the air to detect the proximity of enemies, owes its usefulness in large measure to copper.

The Town Of Flin Flon

The strategic metal is produced in great tonnages amid a setting of forest and lake on the boundary line between Manitoba and Saskatchewan, little south of latitude 55. Here in a town called Flin Flon, population

an anti-corrosive for sea mines.

Tom Creighton Found The Mine

The finding of the valuable ore body destined to become one of Canada's major sources of supply of strategic war metals at Flin Flon, by prospector Tom Creighton, and its subsequent development to the production stage many years later by Hudson Bay Mining and Smelting Co. Limited, who utilized for this purpose combined Canadian and U.S. capital, is one of the great stories of romance and practical business accomplishment of Western Canada's northlands.

Creighton, who combined prospecting with trapping, had left camp on New Year's Day, 1915, to see if he could find and shoot a moose, and on a high ridge near a small lake he had not seen before, spotted a little copper stain and some chalcocite (copper ore) exposed on a spot which had been clear of snow by the wind. He made a mental note of the location and then returned to his camp to continue his winter trapping, with the intention of examining it further in the spring.

Capital Became Interested

His spring examination confirmed his opinion that the find was one of interest, and the following mid-August a thorough examination by Creighton and Jack Mosher, a pros-

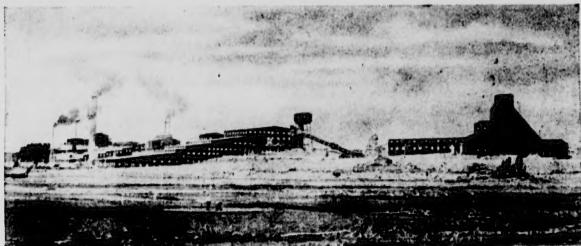
pected the new process on a laboratory scale, and it worked. Then they built a pilot mill at Flin Flon capable of treating 25 to 30 tons daily to test the process on a commercial basis. Again it worked after some modifications.

The outcome of these successful experiments was a momentous decision, made in 1927, which has had a far-reaching effect on the fortunes of Western Canada. The decision was to spend \$25,000,000 to \$30,000,000 for the purpose of establishing an important industry employing hundreds of men in the northern Manitoba bushland, namely a mine equipped with metallurgical plants capable of treating 3,000 tons daily and a hydroelectric power plant to supply the necessary power.

Manitoba And Saskatchewan Both Profit

At this point a new link between two prairie provinces was forged. Canada as a Dominion is a partnership of nine provinces, and within that partnership is a subsidiary partnership of Manitoba and Saskatchewan in the possession of a new industry financed jointly by investors of the United States and of Canada. The dual interest of the two provinces in the one mine lies in the fact that the ore body straddles the boundary line between Manitoba and Saskatchewan. Straddling into the town of the North Main shaft of the metallurgical plants and the town of Flin Flon are in Manitoba. The second opening, the South Main Shaft, is in Saskatchewan, just a mile south of the North Main shaft, and the hydro-electric power plant also is in that province. So Hudson Bay Mining and Smelting Co. Limited, employs men in both provinces and pays taxes to both provincial governments, as well as to the Dominion of Canada.

(To Be Continued)



General view of Flin Flon mine from the Golf Course—an old lake bottom, note the players on green!

between 8,000 and 9,000, men drawn largely from the towns and villages of the western prairie provinces daily hoist from the depths of friendly mother earth over 6,000 tons of ore from which other men from the prairie acres extract not only copper, but the equally vital metals zinc and cadmium, and in addition such important metals as gold, silver, selenium and tellurium, each of which has its place in the nation's war effort—zinc in a variety of strategic uses; almost as numerous as copper; cadmium as a protection against corrosion in submarines and useful as a soft-lubricating metal; gold for the making of Canada's trade in war and in peace; silver essential in currency at home and as a substitute metal for tin in solder, copper and other metals; selenium and tellurium in improving the machinability of copper and copper alloys; selenium in the hardening of steel and in the electrical industry; and tellurium in toughening rubber and lead and as the Flin Flon ore body. First they

peering partner, definitely established

its importance. Their financial backer,

Jack Hammatt of Toronto, was in

formed of the find, and subsequent

exploration demonstrated its real im-

portance.

After underground examination, both by diamond drilling and by a shaft and other workings, had disclosed an indicated ore body of 18,000,000 to 20,000,000 tons, American mining capital became interested and a decision was arrived at to find out what science could do in the way of separating the valuable metals from their close chemical and physical association with each other and the enclosing rock.

Selective Flotation Solved Problem
About that time mining men all over the world were beginning to recognize the remarkable efficiency of the new process of selective flotation in the treatment of complex ores. About 1 million dollars were spent by the United States mining interests in proving the adaptability of such a process to the ore from

Winnipeg Tribune.

Our Gallant Airmen

Record Shows The Calibre Of The Men Of The R.C.A.F.

The communiqué announcing that Canadian airmen sent to England out of Britain knocked down nine Messerschmitts and two Focke-Wulf 190s in a single day over the continent fills the people of the Dominion with pride.

The planes destroyed are of the type which the Germans consider their first line strength and which in the face of the terrific bombing attacks on the Reich by day and night, they can ill afford to lose.

The record long speaks well not only for the calibre of the men in the R.C.A.F. but indicates that the training they receive under the Empire air training scheme here in Canada makes them more than a match for the best the enemy has to offer.

Winnipeg Tribune.

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Has Important Job

Leading Wren Does Her Secret Work Well For Navy

Leading Wren Joan Cole of Calgary, who makes her headquarters in Humbertone, Ont., just seven miles from Weland, is the only Wren doing naval liaison work in the Women's Royal Canadian Naval Service.

As such, the Navy reported in a press release, she boards Allied naval, Military and coast guard vessels passing through the Welland Canal, one of the busiest man-made waterways in the world, and interviews the captains to obtain certain information for naval authorities. The nature of the information she collects is the secret of the navy and Leading Wren Cole.

Actually, this quiet Scots widow who served for 16 months as a clerk with the Women's Army Auxiliary Corps in Britain during the First Great War, seldom boards a ship. At first, she did, but now the captain comes to her in her tidy office in the canal administration building where she is on duty 24 hours a day. "When the traffic was heavy in the canal, we discovered that my going aboard a ship slowed up proceedings considerably," she says. "Now, the captain reports to me immediately as soon as his ship ties up and we get him out of here in jig time."

KEPT IT QUIET

Before the Sicilian campaign the Emperor of Japan undertook to encourage his illustrious fellow gangster, Mussolini, by decorating him with the Imperial Order of the Chrysanthemum. The Italian press duly reported the bestowal of a most distinguished honor, but kept mum on just what the decoration was. In Italy the chrysanthemum is associated with funerals.

Crows are able to distinguish between armed and unarmed men, and will approach the latter.

First Alaskan automobile was made in 1905 at Skagway by Robert E. Sheldon.

WORLD HAPPENINGS BRIEFLY TOLD

About 12,000 Polish refugees are now accommodated in Tanganyika, Uganda and Northern Rhodesia and more are on the way to Kenya.

Peter Theobalda, a tailor, was fined £300 for breaking the rationing law by making and selling double-breasted coats and trousers with cuffs.

Entering a London bank recently, a man deposited \$72,000 in currency which he said he had since the last war, when he put the bills away and forgot all about them.

Clearing of Mediterranean shipping routes has so speeded surface transportation that airmail to Egypt, Cyprus, Palestine, Syria, Transjordan and Turkey has been suspended.

The Queen talked to Canadian servicemen as well as many from other nations when she paid an informal visit to a United forces club in mid-London.

Restrictions have been imposed curtailing operations at night of all trans and buses throughout the Union of South Africa to preserve transport vehicles.

The latest edition of German ersatz sausages will have no meat at all. A Berlin report to Zurich says the new Berlin frankfurter will be made entirely of a mixture of potatoes and green vegetables.

A national register of all commercial vehicles in South Africa has been completed and six advisory officers appointed in principal centres to help curtail the use of such vehicles by "rationnalization."

CAUSE OF FAMINE

Some of the reserve supplies of wheat in Britain will be shipped to India to relieve a famine raging in Bengal. The main cause of the famine was a shortage of rice. Bengal usually imports large quantities of rice from Burma, now in the hands of the Japanese army.

THIS CURIOUS WORLD

By William Ferguson

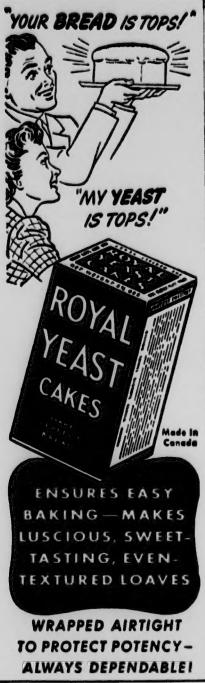


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BY GENE BYRNES

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Beau Jonathan

by J.B.Ryan

CHAPTER XIII

FARQUHAR, flushed, sat papered on the table and removed his elaborate velvet waistcoat. The doublet followed, then the stock about his throat and, finally, even the long curled wig. Then Farquhar took up his weapon and addressed Jonathan. His points touched with a metallic ringing sound.

A few mutinous words of the game then Lord Farquhar essayed the first attack. But in mid-thrust the nobleman slipped on the smooth floor. Jonathan, checking his parry and about to seize his sword to his master to restrain, could see the gleam in Farquhar's eye hardly in time. His stilled sword swept into life, deflecting the lungé flashing up from Jonathan's unexpected position.

Farquhar's rapier slid emptily between Jonathan's armpit and ribs but the latter's blade sliced through the cloth and flesh of his lordship's left shoulder.

"First blood to me, Lord Farquhar!" he cried in mirth.

"A moment's rest, Master Hale!" Farquhar begged, and I my breath gave a brief short.

Jonathan nodded his acceptance of the recess. Farquhar said, "You gain nothing if you stay me, Hale. Remember, I am here to serve you."

"I have not forgotten," said Jonathan. "Neither do I forget that I have sworn to avenge Denys. Master must be pleased. Farquhar."

FARQUHAR, the breast received, lay his sword and his left hand, the length of the blade and flexed the steel. "Then, as long as we can, we are not bargain, Hale," he smiled. "Let us it once more."

With a sigh he took his stance, but instead of advancing as Jonathan expected, the fellow raced backward swiftly toward the door. The sword blazed a terrible fire, lashing sideswicks and across the face of Matt Tucker.

The chimney sweep was caught wholly unawares. The rapier whizzed across his forehead, causing him to drop both pistols and tumble to the floor.

"Outside, Davis!" cried Farquhar, leaping toward the door to meet the charge of Jonathan. "Summon help! Hurry before it is too late."

The servant hurtled himself over the fallen Tucker, jerked open the door and fled into the hall, was he was able to prevent him. Farquhar, aware now that victory was his, if he could stay on his feet a bit longer, was fighting like a madman, forcing Jonathan to give ground for the first time.

"Anne!" Jonathan shouted. "Bar the door! Let no one in until I have finished with this devil!"

THE girl darted forward, shaming her master. "Anne!" she cried. Tucker blood streaming into his eyes staggered to his feet to help her clasp into place the heavy chain dangling from an iron staple in the frame of the doorway. As Jonathan's hands hammed on the panels and the thud of wood against wood echoed throughout the room to blend with the ring and rasp of steel.

The famous command of Farquhar was the extreme test of Jonathan's swordsmanship. Jonathan's sword was everywhere but, even so, he was unable to bid it entirely that he intended to. Farquhar's point whipped in, raking and burning that fire along Jonathan's ribs.

The deepest eyes flashed at that success, but Farquhar had shot his bolt.

The swords met like sledge and anvil. His decapitating arm could not be stopped, but his shield did not hold, and Jonathan was sent crashing into Farquhar's swastikered bloody shirt above the heart, then out, red to his length.

For an instant his lordship's rapier was held, then Farquhar's. It tinkled to the floor. The tumult dissolved from the bony face and Farquhar, after a stumbling step that was no pretense, collapsed like a heap of sand.

Jonathan turned away, needing no examination or waiting to assure himself that Farquhar was through.

"Dish the door, Tucker," he said, shrugging his shoulders.

Because of the battering weight against it, Tucker unhooked the chain with difficulty. The door flew open, tearing the chain from its socket and into the room, like the waters of a released flood.

The first to enter was Sir Maurice Blaine. Jonathan bowed ironically, trying to keep you waiting.

"Blaine," he said, "you're welcome."

Blaine stopped, staring at the body of Farquhar. There were at least a score of men in the room, the Earl of Chelsea, others of the nobility, the servants of Farquhar. Jonathan spotted Davis among the servants and also the remainder of the crew that had been with his lordship that night at the castle.

"Farquhar is dead," said Jonathan.

"It should be evident, I believe, that he died in fair fight," he smiled again at Sir Maurice. "Will you accept a sincere apology for that

bow I struck you, Blaine? You see, the honor of a hand-to-hand combat and I was beside myself with anxiety and Sir Maurice needed briefly glad perhaps to satisfy the demands of honor so easily.

THIS vacuous-faced Earl of Chelsea stepped forward. "Egad, Jonathan," he said. "Would you care to tell me how long it is hardly more than an hour since Farquhar entrusted me with a paper to be opened when he died. I was with me. His hand dipped into his pocket, emerging with the sealed document Farquhar had prepared in Jonathan's bedroom.

"'An yes, that paper,' Jonathan answered, without a trace of fear. But the cutthroat did not work. Chelesa retreated, thrusting the letter behind him. "Farquhar warned me to give the paper to you, sir. In the contrary, he commanded me to show it to me before I read it myself."

"Yes, I know," Jonathan paused, not wishing to alarm Chelesa further. "The Earl, he have was determined to open the letter on the spot, carrying out his instructions exactly."

"I know the contents of that letter, sir," Jonathan said with a smile. "Farquhar wrote it to me. I will examine the wax, you will observe that it is stamped with my initials."

The Earl turned the letter over as he studied the seal. "Before Chelesa could recover, Jonathan went on: "It was he who suggested to Farquhar that you would need a translation of the paper and he required me to make the code and flossie to handle a delicate matter."

He allowed that sop to Chelesa's nodding, then took it off and said:

"That paper will go with me, sir," he said. "I am not a fool. Denys is dead. Lord Farquhar had the knowledge of a crime on his conscience. He wrote that letter to save his soul after he was dead."

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